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# FEE TRANSMITTAL

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☐ Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27

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**Complete if Known**

Application Number	10/821,478
Filing Date	April 9, 2004
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Examiner Name	Brian E. Miller
Art Unit	2627
Attorney Docket No.	16869Q-106600US

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**FEE CALCULATION**
**1. BASIC FILING, SEARCH, AND EXAMINATION FEES**

Application Type	FILING FEES		SEARCH FEES		EXAMINATION FEES		Fees Paid (\$)
	Small Entity	Fee (\$)	Small Entity	Fee (\$)	Small Entity	Fee (\$)	
Utility	300	150	500	250	200	100	
Design	200	100	100	50	130	65	
Plant	200	100	300	150	160	80	
Reissue	300	150	500	250	600	300	
Provisional	200	100	0	0	0	0	

**2. EXCESS CLAIM FEES**

Fee Description	Small Entity	Fee (\$)
Each claim over 20 (including Reissues)	50	25
Each independent claim over 3 (including Reissues)	200	100
Multiple dependent claims	360	180
<b>Total Claims</b>	<b>Extra Claims</b>	<b>Fee (\$)</b>
-20 or HP = _____ x _____ = _____		
<b>Fee Paid (\$)</b>	<b>Multiple Dependent Claims</b>	<b>Fee (\$)</b>
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HP = highest number of total claims paid for, if greater than 20

<b>Indep. Claims</b>	<b>Extra Claims</b>	<b>Fee (\$)</b>	<b>Fee Paid (\$)</b>
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**4. OTHER FEE(S)**

Non-English Specification, \$130 fee (no small entity discount)

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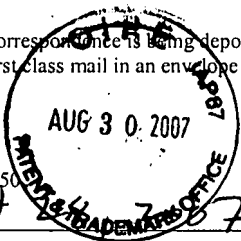
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Attorney Docket No.: 16869Q-106600US  
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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re application of:

HIROYASU TSUCHIDA et al.

Application No.: 10/821,478

Filed: April 9, 2004

For: SUSPENSION ASSEMBLY AND  
ROTARY DISK STORAGE DEVICE

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SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION  
DISCLOSURE STATEMENT UNDER  
37 CFR §1.97 and §1.98

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Sir:

The references cited on attached form PTO/SB/08A are being called to the attention of the Examiner. Copies of the references [in compliance with the requirements of 37 CFR §1.98(a)(2)] are enclosed. These references were cited in the Japanese counterpart application, which was mailed on June 26, 2007, and which is enclosed. This IDS satisfies CFR 37 CFR §1.97(e)(1). It is respectfully requested that the cited references be expressly considered during the prosecution of this application, and the references be made of record therein and appear among the "references cited" on any patent to issue therefrom.

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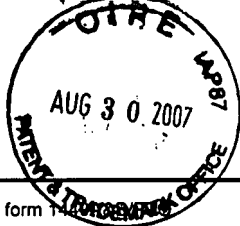
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FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS								
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